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F1A	3-20-58	EXHIBIT ENVELOPE w/4 ENCL.	4	3		
F1	2-26-52	SA MEMO TO FILE	2	2		
F1	2/26/52	'Same as above	2	2		2-DUPES
F2	2/29/52	NY letter to HQ	1	-		NY 65-15348
F3	3/21/52	NY letter to HQ	2	-		NY 65-15348
F4	3/21/52	NY letter to HQ	3	-		NY 65-15348
F5	4/10/52	SA memo to NY	1	1		
F5	4/10/52	Same as above	1	1		1 DUPE
F6	4/15/52	SA memo to NY	4	-		NY FILE # 100-109849-1
F6	4/15/52	Same as above	4	-		NY FILE # 100-109849-1
F7	5/1/52	NY memo to file	1	-		NY. 65-15348
F8	5/21/52	NY letter to HQ	3	-		NY. 65-15348
F9	7/29/52	SA memo to file	1	1		

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Re: Rosenberg/Sakell

Date: 1/78
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F9	7/29/52	Same as above	1	1		1 DUPE
F10	8/20/52	SA MEMO TO FILE	1	1		
F10	8/20/52	Same as above	1	1		1 DUPE
F11	9/20/52	SA memo to file	3	2		
F12	9/11/52	SA report to file/w/enc	4	8		4 DUPE
F13	9/9/52	SA memo to file	1	1		
F13	9/9/52	Same as above	1	1		1 DUPE
F14	9/11/52	SA memo to file	4	4		
F15	9/26/52	SA memo to file	7	5		
F16	10/9/52	SA memo to file	2	2		
F16	10/9/52	Same as above file	2	2		2 DUPE
17	10/10/52	SA memo to file 3 p enclosure	4	4		

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			Actual	Released		
18	10/27/52	SA memo to file ^{with copy}	1	0		1
19	10/30/52	SA memo to file	3	0		
20	11/1/52	SA memo to file	3	3		
21	11/6/52	SA memo to file	1	1		
22	11/13/52	SA memo to file	3	-		NY FILE # 100-109849
23	11/13/52	SA memo to file	1	-		NY FILE # 100-109849
24	11/20/52	SA memo to SAC	4	-		NY FILE # 65-15348
25	11/20/52	SA memo to SAC	2	0		
26	11/21/52	NY letter to HQ	1	1		
27	11/24/52	SA memo to SAC	5	-		NY FILE # 65-15348
28	11/26/52	SA memo to SAC	3	3		
29	11/26/52	SA memo to SAC ^{with copy}	15	0		

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30	11/26/52	SA memo to SAC	4	0		1
31	12/1/52	SA memo to SAC	2	0		
32	12/1/52	SA memo to SAC	1	0		
33	12/1/52	SA memo to SAC	6	-		NY FILE # 65-15348
34	12/2/52	SA memo to SAC	4	0		
35	12/8/52	WFO letter to HQ	2	2		
36	12/3/52	SA memo to SAC	3	0		
37	12/8/52	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
38	12/8/52	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
39	12/8/52	SA letter to SAC	3	0		
40	12/8/52	SA letter to SAC	1	1		
41	12/7/52	SA memo to SAC	5	-		NY FILE # 65-15348

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42	12/15/52	SA memo to SAC	6	-		NY FILE # 100-37158 1
43	12/22/52	SA letter to SAC	3	0		
44	12/31/52	SA letter to SAC	2	-		NY FILE # 65-15348
45	12/14/52	SA letter to SAC	2	2		
46	1/5/53	SA letter to SAC	2	2		
47	1/5/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
48	1/6/53	SA memo to SAC	2	0		
49	1/14/53	SA memo SAC	1	1		
50	1/16/53	SA memo to SAC	4	0		
51	1/19/53	SA memo to SAC	1	-		NY FILE # 65-15348
52	1/20/53	SA memo SAC	5	-		NY FILE # 65-15348
53	1/21/53	SA memo to SAC	5	-		NY FILE # 65-15348

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54	1/22/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
55	1/24/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
56	1/29/53	SA memo to SAC	3	3		
57	2/4/53	SA memo to SAC	3	-		NY FILE # 65-15348
58	2/4/53	SA memo to SAC	3	0		
59	2/17/53	SA memo to SAC	4	-		NY FILE # 65-15348
60	2/18/53	SA memo to SAC	3	2		
61	2/19/53	SA memo to SAC	4	-		NY file 65-15348
62	2/20/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		
63	2/20/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		
64	2/25/53	SA memo to SAC	6	-		NY file 65-15348
65	2/26/53	SA memo to SAC	3	-		NY file 65-15348

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66	3/16/53	SA letter to SAC	4	—		NY FILE # 65-15348 1
67	2/9/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
68	3/10/53	SA memo to file	3	2		
69	3/13/53	SA memo to SAC	5	—		NY FILE # 65-15348
70	3/20/53	SA memo to SAC	1	0		
71	3/20/53	SA memo to SAC	1	0		
72	3/20/53	SA memo to SAC	1	—		NY. 65-15348
73	2-27-53	SA MEMO TO SAC	1	1		
73A	3-23-53	SA MEMO TO SAC	1	1		
73B	3/23/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		
74	3/24/53	memo to file	1	1		
75	4/1/53	SA memo to SAC	2	1		
76	4/3/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		

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77	4/7/53	SA memo to SAC	6	-		NY FILE # 65-15348 NY 75 348
78	4/9/53	SA memo to SAC	1	0		
79	4/11/53	SA memo to SAC	2	-		NY 65-15348
80	4/10/53	SA memo to SA ⁴ copy	3	0		
81	4/15/53	SA memo to SAC	4	4		
82	4/27/53	SA memo to SAC	3	3		
83	5/6/53	SA memo to SAC	4	4		
83A	5/8/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
84	5/11/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
85	5/13/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		
86	5/27/53	SA memo to SAC	5	0		
87	6/5/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		

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88	6/5/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
89	6/19/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		
90	6/19/53	SA memo to SAC	4	0		
91	6/22/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
92	6/23/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		
93	6/23/53	SA letter to SAC	1	1		
94	6/23/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
94A	6/23/53	SA memo to SAC	2	0		
94B	6/23/53	SA memo to SAC	1	0		
95	6/25/53	SA CWFO memo to SAC NY	1	0		
95A	6/26/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
96	6/26/53	COPY OF ABOVE (95A)	1	1		1 DUPE

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97	6/29/53	SA memo to SAC	3	—		NY FILE # 65-15348
97A	6/30/53	SA memo to SAC	1	—		NY FILE # 65-15348
98	7/1/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
98A	7/2/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		ADDITIONAL PAGE(S) MISSING
99	7/3/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
100	7/3/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
101	7/6/53	SA memo to SAC	5	0		
102	7/6/53	SA memo to SAC	5	0		
103	7/8/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
104	7/9/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
105	7/9/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		
106	7/9/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		

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107	7/9/53	SA memo to SAC	3	0		
107A	7/9/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		
108	7/10/53	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
109	7/10/53	SA memo to SAC	2	0		
110	7/10/53	SA memo SAC	2	0		
111	7/10/53	SA memo to SAC	2	0		
112	7/13/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		
113	7/13/53	SA memo to SAC	3	3		
114	7/14/53	SA memo to SAC	2	2		

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- W.C. Documents Sub file F*
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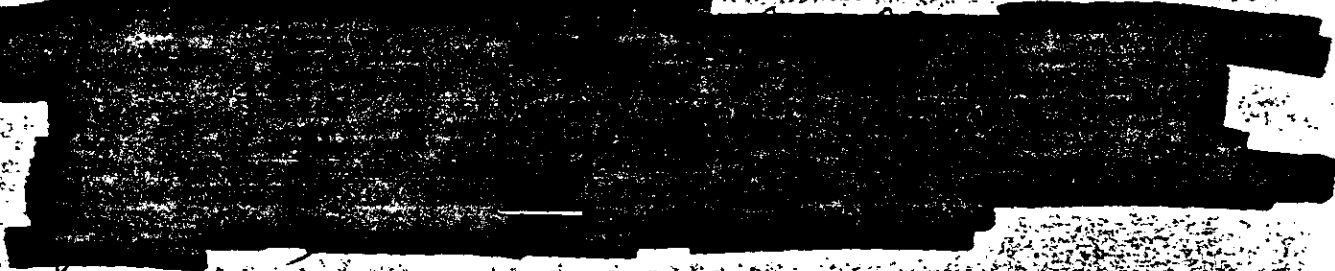
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0/58 Leaflet " I AM INNOCENT" issued by NY Sobell Committee.



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Date Received 3-19-58
From.... [redacted] b7d

(name & address of contributor)
By-name of SA William D. Henahan
To Be Returned.... Yes () No (x) b7d
Description:

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From.... [redacted] b7d

(name & address of contributor)
By-name of SA William D. Henahan
To Be Returned.... Yes () No (x)
Description:

leaflet "Lam Innocent" issued by NY Sobell Committee

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"I am Innocent!"

says MORTON SOBELL -- victim of
America's "Dreyfus Case"

TORN FROM HIS FAMILY, condemned to 30 years imprisonment.....
sent to Alcatraz (America's Devil's Island) for over 5 years.....
Scientist Morton Sobell continues to maintain his innocence of spy
charges in the Rosenberg trial.....A national Appeal by thousands of
Americans has finally won the first step toward his freedom --
transfer of Sobell from Alcatraz.

JUST AS EMIL ZOLA appealed for Dreyfus, notables throughout
the world--people like Bertrand Russell and Elmer Davis--
have appealed for Morton Sobell.

JUST AS A FAMOUS FRENCH SENATOR fought for Dreyfus, United States
Senator William Langer calls for justice for Sobell.

JUST AS THE WIFE OF DREYFUS fought unceasingly for his freedom,
the wife of Morton Sobell travels throughout America,
bringing the truth to more and more people, fighting
night and day for the past 8 years for his freedom.

SAYS PROFESSOR FRANCIS D. WORMUTH, outstanding political
scientist and distinguished authority on constitutional law:

"The very indefensibility of the verdict in the Dreyfus
Case led the French government to fight deeper to cover
up its mistakes; but the aroused conscience of France
finally won. Our Justice Department appears equally
afraid to re-open the Sobell case, which bears so
striking a resemblance to the Dreyfus Case. But the
hysteria that led to the conviction has disappeared;
and it may not be long before an informed public
opinion prompts the government to agree to a re-trial
for Morton Sobell."

READ THE FACTS

100-107111-181

Sign the Appeal to the President

issued as a public service by
NEW YORK SOBELL COMMITTEE, 940 Broadway, New York City.

New York, N. Y.
February 26, 1952

MEMO:

Re: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO
SECURE JUSTICE IN THE
ROSENBERG CASE.
IS - C

By attached report dated 1/21/52 [REDACTED] advised that the captioned committee was formed through the initiative of JOSEPH BRAININ, SIMON FEDERMAN and A. JENOFSKY and consists of about 125 individuals from all over the country.

B7D

JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

cc:

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C O P Y

Jan. 21, 1952
New York

NATIONAL COMMITTEE
TO SECURE JUSTICE IN
THE ROSENBERG CASE.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] a "National Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case" was organized. b7D

[REDACTED] the "Moving Spirit" of this committee is JOSEPH BRAININ, a Jewish writer. b7D

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] the following details on the activities of the Committee for the ROSENBERGS: b7D

The Committee consists of some 125 men and women from all over the country. [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] the Committee published a pamphlet "To Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case" which is being distributed "in thousands of copies" all over the country with the aid of progressive trade unions and mass organizations. This pamphlet is based on the analysis of the ROSENBERG (ETHEL and JULIUS, The Atomic Spies) case made by a journalist by the name WILLIAM RUBEN. b7D

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New York, N. Y.
February 26, 1952

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JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

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Jan. 21, 1952
New York

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New York, N.Y.
4/10/52

MEMO:

RE: THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN
THE ROSENBERG CASE
IS - C

On 3/31/52 [redacted] furnished the writer with the following material concerning captioned case: b7D

1. Printed pamphlet entitled, "The ROSENBERG Case a Fact Sheet" issued by subject organization.
2. Printed pamphlet entitled, "To Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case" by WM. A. REUBEN published by subject organization.
3. Printed flyer announcing a public meeting for 3/12/52, at the Pythian Hall, N.Y.C., regarding the ROSENBERG case, held under the auspices of subject organization.
4. Mimeographed form letter on letterhead of subject organization, dated 2/29/52, asking for contributions to the ROSENBERG case fund.
5. A press release dated 3/10/52, carrying the caption, "U.S. And Canadian Organizations Among Those Calling For New Fair Trial In ROSENBERG Case", issued by subject organization.
6. Petition captioned, "Amicus Brief in the ROSENBERG Case" issued by subject organization.
7. Mimeographed pledge card.

*see exhibit
1B25 thru
1B31*

file.

All the above items are being made exhibits in instant

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JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

[redacted] b7D

JWD:DAM
100-107111

John W. Dooley

New York, N.Y. 4/10/52

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JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

[REDACTED] 020

JWD:MAN

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New York
7/29/52

MEMO

RE: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN
THE ROSENBERG CASE
IS-C

On 7-11-52, [REDACTED] furnished SA, JOHN W. DOOLEY
with a printed flyer announcing a Public Meeting for 6-24-52,
at Manhattan Towers, N. Y. C., held under the auspices of the [REDACTED] 870
captioned organization.

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JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

[REDACTED] 870

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New York
7/29/52

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JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

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[Signature]

New York
8/20/52

MEMO:

RE: NAT'L COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
IS-C

On 6/18/52 [REDACTED] furnished SA JOHN W. WHALEY
with a pledge card for contributions to the Rosenberg Rally
on 6/17/52. **B7D**

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JOHN W. WHALEY, SA

[REDACTED] **B7D**

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New York
8/20/52

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ROGALIN SALTZ and S. DAVIDOWITZ were appointed as directors of Camp "Kinderland." SOL VAIL is the manager of Camps "Kinderland" and "Lakeland". Both camps are owned by the Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, I.W.O.

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Approved

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MEMO:

RE: CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS
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June 7, 1952
New York

N.Y. State Civil Rights Congress Activities.

Re: Memorial mass meeting for MC GEE

[REDACTED] people came to the memorial mass meeting for WILLIE MC GEE held on May 22, 1952, at the Golden Gate Ballroom in Harlem, N.Y. b7d

The chairman of the meeting was JAMES WILLOY, exec. secr. of the Harlem C.R.C. He opened the meeting by introducing LAURA DUNCAN and AL MOSS (Negro singers). They sang the "Negro National Anthem".

ADELE LAKOFF (a Negro woman. She is connected with the Union of Sleeping Car Porters, as announced by chairman) spoke on the "persecution of the Negro people in this country. They claim that they are fighting for a free world. I say it isn't so. Look at my people in my country. We have no freedom here and no democracy". She told the meeting that she went to Washington during the trial of WILLIAM PATTERSON "to protest against the indictment and trial of PATTERSON just to let them know on which side I am". She concluded her remarks with: "The Negro people are learning that they must fight for their rights".

LEON STRAUS said that "WILLIE MC GEE was a victim of white supremacy. This country has two laws for the same crime. One law for whites and one law for negroes. WILLIE MC GEE was innocent and if WILLIE MC GEE would have been white and would have committed rape he would have been alive today. WILLIE MC GEE was murdered by the white supremacists because he was a Negro". He spoke of the "reactionary movement in the country" stating that "the liberty of the American people is in jeopardy. The rulers of our country are lying and terrorizing the people: Negro people, foreign born, communists and labor leaders are being persecuted and are being sent to jail on frame-up charges and for one only reason - to clear the way of any kind of opposition to the war makers. They are out to make war against China, the Soviet Union; they want to make war against the socialist people of the world". He called upon the "white and negro people to unite for the fight for peace and Civil Rights". He told the meeting that "the Fur Workers Union is putting into the fight against Negro discrimination and genocide 100,000 of its workers" and that "the Negro Labor Council, many mass organizations and labor unions in the country are in this fight. All of us are in the fight for peace and freedom".

ANGIE DICKERSON took over the chairing of the meeting. She said that "the Negro people wouldn't take more Martinsville victims,

Florida killings, nor such legal lynchings as the lynching of WILLIE MC GEE. This is a warning to Washington: We are coming".

ELIENE ROSS spoke on "the importance of fighting against white supremacy". She stated that "the fight against white supremacy must be waged by white people in white communities because it is the white people that are persecuting and murdering the negro people". She declared that "they are murdering Koreans by the millions through bacteriological warfare and through other means because it's a part of their fight for white supremacy. They are fighting to retain their colonial empires because they want to retain white supremacy". She called upon white and negro to unite for "the struggle against white supremacy which must be carried on in every community all over the country".

AUBREY GROSSMAN spoke about the fight of the C.R.C. to save the life of WILLIE MC GEE. He brought out the point that if the C.R.C. would have been larger "a mass organization of hundreds of thousands WILLIE MC GEE would not have been murdered". He called upon the people to "make the C.R.C. a real mass organization and tell the people to keep on fighting".

ANGIE DICKERSON made an appeal for funds. She asked the people to "buy 5, 10 and more copies of the WILLIE MC GEE edition of the book 'We Charge Genocide'". She said that many church and civic leaders in the South are asking for the book and that the books that will be paid for here will be sent to the South and will be distributed "among important people, organizations and churches". On her call some people bought the book and took them and some gave \$2, \$3, \$5 and \$10 asking that the books should be sent to the South for distribution.

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WILLIAM PATTERSON was sick. He couldn't make a speech. He said a few words: "The most important issue today is the struggle for peace. To win this struggle there must be unity between the negro and the white people." He called upon the people to fight against the Smith Act and to participate in the national amnesty campaign. "We must bring back BEN DAVIS, GENE DENNIS and JOHNY CLTES and all other imprisoned leaders of the Communist Party." He stated that "there will be no freedom for the negro people as long as there is a Smith and a McCarran Act." He also called to work for the freeing of the ROSENBERGS and SOBEL who are "innocent victims of the warmongers". He said that the C.R.C. is "cooperating with the Rosenberg Committee in the fight for their freedom". PATTERSON told the meeting that "FERDINAND SMITH was just kidnapped by this government at Idlewild Airport". He said that FERDINAND SMITH was in an English airplane when he was "kidnapped" and he is now detained at Ellis Island. He stated that this "is not the first time that this government is engaging in political kidnappings. ISLER was also kidnapped when he stopped over here on his way to Mexico".

CLAUDIA JONES asked the people to join the C.R.C. She said that she is a member of the C.R.C. and that the C.R.C. is "the people's organization which is fighting for negro right and for the freedom of all American people. She declared that "as a communist I fight against

white supremacy, as a C.R.C. member I fight for the right of the negro people". She said that "the communists must be freed. Every American must fight for their freedom. It's about time to realize that as long as there is one communist in jail there isn't and there will not be freedom in this country". She stated that "BEN DAVIS was sent to prison because he is a negro and he fought against war". JONES declared that "the war in Korea is a war against the black people. We must organize the American people for the fight for peace, civil right and freedom".

OLMUN told the meeting about the ROSENBERG and SOBEL case declaring that there was no evidence that war warranted their conviction as spies. "They were convicted only because of the red hysteria and because some one said that they were communists". She asked the people to help the Rosenberg Committee with funds and by getting signatures on the petitions demanding a new trial for them".

BELLA ABZUG presented ROSALEE MC GEE with flowers. She said that "we must fight with all our might that there shall be no more MC GEE'S, nor Martinsville 7's, nor Florida killings of negro people". She called upon the people to "fight for negro rights, for peace and freedom. Such a fight is a fight for real democracy".

ROSALEE MC GEE received a standing ovation when she was introduced as the last speaker. She told the meeting that in her home town "F.B.I. agents watched every step I made and followed me everywhere"; that she was taken to police headquarters and warned "not to get mixed up with the reds from the East". She said that WILLIE MC GEE "died an innocent man" and that "I dedicate my life to fight for my people".

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John Huntington

June 13, 1952
608 Cleveland Street
Brooklyn, New York

LYL Meeting

Those present were:

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The meeting came to order. PAULINE raised the subject of "mass org" and stated that JANET GORDON had been nominated to get in touch with such: JANET is supposed to look up names of youth organizations, call them, and ask if they have a division in East New York. If so, when do they meet. The purpose is to get together and discuss problems of the day, concerning youth. ALBY POSSNER said, "All youth have problems, and we believe we have the solution to some of them".

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Next on the agenda was the Outdoor Rally on Wednesday, 6/18/52, on Hopkinson and Pitkin Avenues, at 8:00 p.m. We were urged to attend.

ALBY POSSNER spoke about ROOSEVELT WARD and his "frame up" on the charge of "draft-dodging". A Committee has been appointed (I guess at the Executive Meeting) consisting of

ALBY POSSNER, BERNARD and LIBBY. Their aim is to arouse the surrounding communities through professionals and churches to take action in allowing "ROSIE" WARD to travel.

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JOHN sold the May issue of "Political Affairs" and the June issue of "Masses and Mainstream" [REDACTED] 070

ALBY POSSNER was given the floor, and he requested that he give a report on the ROSENBERG Rally next week. PAUL replied that he could give it in three weeks. Next week, three districts (East New York, Flatbush and Bronxville) would meet at our Centre for an educational program. ALBY agreed to it. JACK volunteered to bring in six copies of a pamphlet on the ROSENBERG case. He worked at the defense office. (Note: JACK considers himself a Zionist).

PAUL POSSNER took the floor and began to discuss the Kojé matters of past and present. He outlined the American and Communist viewpoints. BERNARD took over from there and spoke of the forceful screening of the prisoners. ARNOLD mentioned the tattooing of the prisoners with such lettering on their bodies as "I don't want to go back" and "Anti-Red". BERNARD and PAUL POSSNER began to add to the "brutal incidents on Kojé", and the Sgt. who wrote a letter to a "General" (?). The Sgt. is being court-martialed. ARTIE GORDON was recognized by the chair and said the Sgt.'s letter to the "General" was addressed "Private and

Personal". It is thus unlawful to court-martial him.

My belief is that PAUL POSSNER and BERNARD planned the discussion to the last detail. It ran too well for my comfort. I think everyone suspected its smooth presentation.

[REDACTED]

The next point on the agenda was the Eight (8) Star Social Club. The Social Club is giving a dance at our Centre on 6/28/52 at 9:00 p.m. [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] It appears the director GUS JORDON was to "push" the LYL dance (supporting the FIELDS case) on 5/26/52. An act of white supremacy, on the part of the League, cancelled all plans. (AKTIE explained this for the benefit of new members). A Committee was formed and apologies were made to GUS JORDON. It was accepted and now through our social director, NORMAN SAPPOL, arrangements were made for GUS and his negro club to hold the dance at our Centre. When it was discussed among NORMAN SAPPOL, GUS JORDON and the Centre's manager, the latter refused to rent the hall to the Eight Star unless NORMAN and the League would take full responsibility. Another act of white supremacy had come upon the Social Club. NORMAN SAPPOL and ALBY POSSNER made arrangements to see the "higher-ups"; and now the Social Club has the hall. b7D

The League's aim is to take the Social Club into the LYL and thus have negro-white unity. [REDACTED] b7D

NORMAN SAPPOL received one hundred tickets from GUS and distributed them among the members last Friday. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Problems arose selling the tickets to progressives because there wasn't a union label. We were urged to

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sell our quota of one hundred.

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PAUL took up the matter of the Dinner-Dance at the Yugoslav-American Home on Saturday (6/14/52) at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$3.00.

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New York
10/9/52

MEMO:

Re: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO
SECURE JUSTICE FOR THE
ROSENBERGS
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BI

Informant has the impression that what little support the ROSENBERGS get at the present time comes from friends of the family and from Communists acting independently of the Party. (u)

Informant surmises that the Party would probably like to help the ROSENBERGS but is afraid to do so because of its fear of being identified with "atomic spies". (u)

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JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

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New York
10/9/52

MEMO:

Re: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO
SECURE JUSTICE FOR THE
ROSENBERGS
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BI

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JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

JWD:MEM

New York, New York
October 10, 1952

Memo:

Re: IWO
IS-C

[redacted] of known reliability, attended a meeting of Branch 138 of the JPPF, IWO, which was held at 3451 Giles Place, NYC on August 8, 1952. b7D

The meeting discussed establishment of the Jewish People's Home at Ridgefield, Connecticut.

Informant furnished a written report dated August 21, 1952 to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY and a copy of the report is attached.

The original is filed as serial [redacted]

JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA

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Aug. 21, 1952
New York

Jewish People's Fraternal
Order, IWO Activities

A meeting of branch 138 of the Jewish People's Fraternal order, IWO was held on Aug. 8, 1952 at the School #9 headquarters at 3451 Giles Place, Bronx, New York.


About 40 people were present at this meeting. The chairman of the meeting was J. HOFFMAN, president of branch 138 JFPO. b7D

He opened the meeting with a call to the members of the organization "to fight for the life of the only working class fraternal organization in the country - The International Workers Order". He said that "the Federal and the State governments and the courts ganged up on our organization and decided to destroy it. They accused us of being a red front, of being agents of a foreign power. Of course this is nonsense. We are just a progressive working class fraternal organization. The Deweys and the Mc Carneys of our country are using the same tactics as Hitler used in Germany when he was out to destroy the working class progressive movement there. We know what happened in Germany after Hitler's success. We know what happened to 6,000,000 Jews when Hitler became the dictator of Germany. We know that war followed the destruction of the German progressive movement. Knowing all this we say to our would be Hitler's hands of our organizations. We will not let you destroy us."

Mr. BUNIACK, vice president of branch 138 JFPO, made a report on a conference about the "Jewish People's Home" held at the New Yorker Hotel in New York on Aug. 3, 1952. He reported that 154 delegates participated in the conference.

The chairman of the conference was H. SCHILLER, manager of the "Morning Freiheit" and a member of the Board of Directors of the Jewish People's Home.

BUNIACK said that the main report on the Jewish People's Home was made by R. SALTZMAN who stated that the Jewish People's Home is an independent organization and is "not connected" with the Jewish People's Fraternal Order, but the JFPO and the members of this organization "are wholeheartedly behind the Home and will do everything for the Home to be one of a series of successful projects undertaken by the Jewish progressive movement in this country".

SALTZMAN reported that the Home (located in Ridgefield, Conn.) will open in November, 1952, and that the Home will be ready to receive the first group of 30 elderly people. SALTZMAN also reported that before opening of the Home another \$125,000 must be raised. A similar amount was raised a few months before and the board of directors of the Home decided to start the \$125,000 fund drive immediately. This fund is "absolutely necessary to assure the successful opening and operating of the Home. SALTZMAN appealed to the delegates to start the fund drive immediately and he underlined that the full \$125,000 must be raised by November 18, 1952.

SAMUEL DEMPUS, financial secretary of the Jewish People's Home, reported that up to July 18, 1952, the Committee for the Jewish People's Home raised the sum of \$126,549.34 - a little more than half of the original fund drive which the committee started about a year ago.

BUNIACK appealed to the members of branch 138 to start collecting funds for the \$125,000 fund drive for the Home. He said that the name of each person, member or no member of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order, who will donate a minimum of \$10.00 will be written in a "golden book" and that this person will automatically become a member of the Jewish People's Home organization.


He stated that Dr. MAX SILVER is the president of the Jewish People's Home organization.

JACK PERETZ is the manager of the Ridgefield resort where the Jewish People's Home will be located. This place will be a summer vacation resort (mostly for members of the IWO) and a home for the aged.

At the suggestion of A. SHULDINER, secretary of branch 138 JPPF, the branch decided to raise \$1,000 for the \$125,000 fund drive by October 15, 1952.

At the suggestion of SARAH GOODELMAN, member of the Bronx County Committee of the JPPF branch 138, decided to donate \$100 to the National Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG case.

S. GOODELMAN while making a suggestion to donate \$100 told the meeting that "ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG were framed by the government. The ROSENBERGS are not spies. They are Jews. They are children of a national minority, this is the reason why the government wants them to die. The ROSENBERGS are the Sacco-Vangettis of the cold war. As Jews and progressives we must help free the ROSENBERGS.



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MEMO

RE: CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS
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[redacted] on 10/27/52 furnished the under-
signed with attached report dated 10/24/52 concerning
meeting held 10/23/52 at Central Plaza, 111 Second
Avenue, under auspices of "Committee to Secure Justice
in Rosenberg Case" and Civil Rights Congress. b7D

[redacted]
individuals participating in the meeting, including
SAMUEL SCHWIMMER and ELAINE BOSS of Civil Rights Congress
as well as JAMES ARONSON, Dr. DAVID KRINKIN, Mrs.
MORTON SOBELL, MARTHA SCHLAMME, B.S. GOLDBERG, BESSIE
MITCHELL, Dr. S. S. DUBOIS. b7D

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DONALD P. ADAMS, SA b7D

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Subject:

Clemency meeting for the Rosenbergs. Held at Central Palace, 111 2nd Avenue. Under the auspices of the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, alias the C.R.C. Held on October 23, 1952.

Present:



Agenda:

The chairman for the evening was introduced by a Dr. Samuel Schwimmer, of the C.R.C. The Chairman was James Aronson (not sure of first name) he is the editor of the National Guardian. He introduced, after a short speech rehashing mostly old facts, a Dr. David Krinkin (spelling and actual pronunciation of the name is not at all sure). This man is the editor of a Slavic language newspaper. He again for the most part reviewed old stories, such as the flimsy evidence. Next came Mrs. Morton Sobell, wife of one of the accused. She was a very effective speaker using tear jerking techniques. Somewhere in her Martha Schlanke sang a new song about the Rosenbergs. It was written by an Edith Segal. Miss Segal also wrote a book of children's poems called "Be My Friend". Next was a speaker by the name of B.Z Goldberg, Columnist for the Daily Forward and I believe author of a book called, "The Secret Flame". He connected the current trial to that of Sacco and Vanzetti. called for the freedom of the Rosenbergs. Next came the usual collection this was made by Elaine Ross of C.R.C.. She made a long, what she thought

to be, rabble rousing speech and then the money was collected. We had previously been informed that the Police had stopped people from coming in as the hall was filled to capacity and that an overflow meeting was being conducted on the third floor. We were told that there were more than 1,000 people in the room. This did not tally with my count of about 600 chairs and about 150 standees. The police department sign in the hall said the occupancy by more than 700 people was illegal. I take this last to be the closest figure to the number of persons attending.

[REDACTED] 570

Between the two halls I would say that somewhere over \$1,000 were collected certainly not more than \$1,500. After the collection Dr. W.E. DuBois spoke. His main points were on the U.S.S.R. He told how the reds had defeated the Germans with little aid and help from us and England. The Rosenbergs were mentioned but they were strictly secondary. He as well as Mrs. Sobell got a standing ovation. The last speaker was I believe Bessie Mitchell. She is the sister of one of the Trenton six. It might be Bessie Smith.

New York, New York
November 6, 1952

MEMO:

Re: CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS;
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On October 15, 1952, NY-590-S, of known reliability, advised SA ROBERT E. BRODERICK that JEAN TAYLOR told him she had conferred with SOL MICHIELS (ph.) regarding a ROSENBERG meeting planned by the ALP. TAYLOR declined JEAN'S suggestion that FRA (CORDELO) be a speaker at the meeting because FRA was a known Communist. JEAN then suggested FRED WICK or TED APODLE, other Negroes who might be able to handle such an assignment.

Later, on October 17, 1952, SA ROBERT E. O'TOOLE was told by the informant that PAULA LEVINE told MINNIE ~~WERNER~~ that she had secured two rooms at 77 Fifth Avenue for the 21st, 22nd and 23rd. The nature of the affair was not further identified.

The informant also advised that an individual identified as ~~EARL KANTAN~~ of Toronto, Canada, had earlier advised that they hoped to set up a ROSENBERG Committee and would like one of the following to attend a luncheon within the next two weeks:

JAMES WICK

FRANK W. DING

Fabbi ~~WICK~~ or FOX

KANTAN said he could be reached at Oliver 4-050 and that his office was located at 740 Bathurst Street, Toronto, Canada.

DONALD E. ADAMS, SA



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Director, FBI (61-10149)

11/21/52

SAC, New York (100-80675)

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS
IS - C

Information was received on 10/13/52 from NY 590-S, of known reliability, that individuals identified as "DANNY" and "MARY" communicated with WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, National Executive Secretary of CRC at 23 West 26 Street, NYC.

PATTERSON told "DANNY" that the most important action at this time was the campaign in behalf of the ROSENBERGS including petitions to the President requesting him to set aside the death sentence in this case.

"DANNY" offered to assist in the campaign in any way, including "finances". "DANNY" said that in Washington, D. C. they have a man who is head of the Democratic Committee, who "DANNY" thinks has a "lot to do with the 'White House'". "DANNY" understands that this man had given \$5,000 to the Democratic campaign during the last election "when things looked dark". "DANNY" said he understood the man's son has been appointed as "one of the judges in the courts in Washington, D. C."

PATTERSON, while conferring with "DANNY", congratulated "MARY" on her birthday and gave his regards to her children.

No additional information concerning the identity of the aforementioned individuals has been received from the informant and instant letter is being submitted to Bureau and WFO for purposes of information.

- 1 - Washington Field (Info) REGISTRATION
- 1 - NY 100-107111 (National Committee to Secure Justice in ROSENBERG Case)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY

FROM : SA STANLEY R. SHARP

SUBJECT: LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE
IS - C

DATE:
November 26, 1952

On 10/24/52 [REDACTED] furnished SA STANLEY R. SHARP with attached report dated 10/22/52 concerning attendance [REDACTED] at a rally sponsored by the Brownsville - East New York Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. The rally was held at 505 Sutter Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. **B7D**

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October 22nd, 1952. Premier Palace, Sutter Avenue, Brooklyn,
Rosenberg ("They Must Not Die") Rally. [REDACTED]

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Also:

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The meeting was held to bring to the masses the facts
about the Rosenberg trial.

CBS television took films of the rally for their
newsreel.

Nat, mentioned in October 17th report, introduced
the chairman. Nat is on the Rosenberg Committee.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (61-10149)

December 2, 1952

SAC, WFO (100-17953)

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re New York letter to Director dated November 21, 1952, concerning information received on October 13, 1952, from New York 590-S re "DANNY" and "MARY".

For information of the New York Office, J. DANIEL WEITZMAN and MARY COHEN WEITZMAN, who reside at 7821 Morningside Drive, N. W., Washington, D. C., are Security Index subjects of this office.

"DANNY" WEITZMAN was born in Odessa, Russia, on February 15, 1909, and is a naturalized citizen.

DANNY WEITZMAN is reported to be a millionaire and his principal interests which are known are:

Secretary-Treasurer of Ducirco, Inc., a corporation to administer the DuPont Circle Building; Secretary-Treasurer of the Continental Garage on L Street between 14th and 16th Streets, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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- cc - New York (100-80675) (RI)
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On the evening of November 8, 1951, Special Agents GILBERT G. BENJAMIN, JR., and JOHN B. VAN ETTEN observed WILLIAM L. PATTERSON conversing in the home of DANNY WEITZMAN, 7821 Morningside Drive, N. W., Washington, D. C. It should be noted in connection with the date NY 590-S received the information reported in reference letter that October 13 is the birthday of MARY WEITZMAN. She was born October 13, 1914, at Norfolk, Virginia. It is also to be noted that DANNY and MARY WEITZMAN have two sons. MARY WEITZMAN was formerly Treasurer for the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. She has been active in the affairs of organizations which have been cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

The New York Office is requested to advise whether NY 590-S is a MI-SUP. If it is not and documentation is required, it is requested New York Office so advise Washington Field.

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12/8/52

SA FRANCIS V. GARDNER (100-13644)

COMINFIL, UERNWA
IS - C

CI NY 603-S*, of known reliability, advised that he learned on 11/20/52 that JOAN ISSERMAN conferred with CARL MARZANI, UE Publicity Agent at UE National Headquarters, 11 E 51 Street, NYC. She told him that they had a wonderful meeting the previous evening with an overflow attendance. She said that they had turned away about 200 persons and that the collection was very good. According to Informant they planned to confer later that day at UE Headquarters to discuss future action in connection with the "committee".

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1-100-107111 (National Committee, Justice
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12/8/52

SA FRANCIS V. GARDNER (100-13644)

COMINFIL, UERNWA
IS - C

CF NY 603-S*, of known reliability, advised that he learned on 11/12/52, ALF WEISBURD of the CRC conferred with RUSS NIXON, UE's Washington representative at UE National Headquarters, 11 East 51st Street, NYC. WEISBURD told NIXON he is setting up a labor committee to secure clemency for the ROSENBERGS and he wants some sponsors. They discussed possible sponsors for the proposed committee. WEISBURD said that SID GILBERT of UE Local 1227 had already agreed to place his name on the list.

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100-107111 (National Committee,
Justice in the Rosenberg Case) ✓


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Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY

DATE: 12/8/52

FROM : SA FRANCIS V. GARDNER (100-13644)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL, GERMWA
IS-C

Informant, CIANY 603-S, of known reliability, advised that he learned on 11/13/52, JOAN ISSERMAN, conferred with RUSS NIXON, UE Washington representative, at UE National Headquarters, 11 East 51st St, NYC. JOAN told RUSS that she is presently working with an independent committee of very prominent writers and artists who are sponsoring a theater rally to secure clemency for the ROSENBERGS. She said the rally would be held at the Palm Garden at West 52nd Street. She told RUSS that in contacting the unions she has found the most amazing kind of negative reaction, even to buying a ticket for the rally. She added that the committee is desirous of having 1,000 people to fill the hall.

RUSS NIXON told her to contact CHARLIE FAY about including mention of the rally on the agenda of UE Local 475's next meeting at 13 Astor Place, NYC. RUSS added that SID GILBERT on behalf of Local 1227 had already signed a statement for clemency for the ROSENBERGS. RUSS suggested that JOAN contact teachers who are a "wonderful bunch". NIXON further suggested that ISSERMAN contact AL STERN, business agent for BELLE BAILLYSON, director of activities, both of UE Local 430.

JOAN mentioned that she had contacted ESTHER LETZ who promised to do what she could. JOAN said that when she contacted the Fur Workers they turned her down.

Informant advised that one SILBERSTERN (PH) planned to visit NIXON that afternoon and that JOAN ISSERMAN intended to furnish RUSS NIXON with some tickets for the rally which RUSS would give to SILBERSTERN (believed to be ROBERT A. SILVERSTEIN).



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JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA (100-80635)

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Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [redacted] of known reliability dated 12/14/52. The original report was furnished to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY on 12/19/52. In this report informant furnished information about the "MIZRACHI" organization, about Jewish Progressive Schools and about the Kingsbridge Section, CP. b7D

The original report is filed as serial [redacted] b7D

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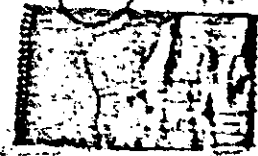
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TO : SAC, NY

FROM : J. W. DOOLEY, SA (100-107111)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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DATE: 1/5/53

HERBERT PHILBRICK, former security informant of the Boston Office, furnished the attached report to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY on 12/22/52.

In this report dated 12/18/52 PHILBRICK advised that both the Herald Tribune and the New York Times turned down full page ads prepared by the Rosenberg Committee.

The original report is filed as Serial 24 of [REDACTED] 02
PHILBRICK's name should be protected by T-Symbol.

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John Dooley:

Attached enclosure for forwarding to Boston office.

Also: of interest here... the Herald Tribune, together with the New York Times, turned down a full page advertisement asking clemency for the Rosenbergs. Usual party line, quoting in particular all of the foreign people - Canada, China, France, England.. the usual stuff. Interesting item however: One, the NAMES OF SPONSORS who paid (or were to pay) for the ad was not included... a pencilled note said "Names To Come Later".

Also, the advertising agency who placed the piece was ~~Seymour Kameny Associations~~, 22 W 48th St., by a "~~Rex Solomon~~". Head ~~of~~ the agency is a ~~Net Kameny~~. I had this agency on my list for a short time while I was handling the Camera accounts.

An agency on my list at the present time, and whom I call on at odd intervals, is ~~Mason Balkin Co.~~, 20 E 35th Street. They handle the advertising for ~~Greenberg Rosen~~ and Ted Brooks clothing companies, both good Daily Worker advertisers. Both companies are ~~Ted Brooks~~ owned, incidentally. ~~Roger Balkin~~ is the man I see. This agency is the present "mail-drop" for I F Stone, formerly of the Compass.

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SAC, New York

1/14/52

FRANCIS F. GARDNER, SA (100-13644)

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Confidential Informant NY-603-S*, of known reliability, advised he learned at UE National Headquarters, 11 East 51 Street, NYC, on 12/12/52 that CARL MARZANI planned to attend a reception in connection with a delegation to visit the ROSENBERGS. The reception was scheduled for Tuesday evening, 12/23/52 at Manhattan Towers Hotel.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

FROM : SA RICHARD H. ELASSEB (100-0)

SUBJECT: ~~MUSICIANS COMMITTEE
TO SECURE CLEMENCY
FOR THE ROSENBERGS
IS - C~~

DATE: JAN 22 1953

[REDACTED] furnished to the writer a leaflet captioned "Musicians Demand Clemency For The Rosenbergs" issued by the above Organization. b7D

The leaflet announced a rally and concert to be held 1/10/53 at the Hotel Capital on behalf of the Rosenbergs.

The address of the above Committee was set forth as Room 710, 1 Union Square West, New York, New York, telephone WA 4 8311.

The leaflet is maintained as an exhibit # 12118 in the above case. (100-107111)

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1/26/53

DONALD P. ADAMS, SA (100-80675)

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS
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There is being entered as exhibits in instant case file the following items received 1/9/53 by SA DONALD P. ADAMS from **070**

1. CRC letterhead dated 1/7/53 captioned "Action Bulletin" setting out actions to be taken in the ROSENBERG case.
2. Throwaway captioned "Stop the Legal Lynching of ETHEL & JULIUS ROSENBERG" issued by CRC.

Material filed as exhibit # 1B1245 1B1246 in 100-80675.

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JAN 29 1953

ROBERT K. STONER, -SA (100-80675)

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS
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Attached is a translation of a report of [REDACTED] dated 12/24/52 and received by the writer on 1/5/53. b7D

The informant reported on a meeting of the CRC in behalf of the condemned ROSENBERGS.

The article that was distributed was a membership request. It was not returned.

The original informant report is maintained as serial [REDACTED] b7D

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J. Harrington

Communist Meeting with the Pretext of the ROSENBERG Couple.

December 24, 1952

It was held last night in the annex hall of Hotel Manhattan Towers, the announced affair was organized by the Civil Rights Congress in order to protest the forthcoming scheduled execution of the ROSENBERG couple. There were few persons, between 150 to 200.

A woman presided whose name I am not sure, but it seems to me she is named ELAINE ROSS. She was part of the delegation that the Sunday previously took flowers near Sing Sing; she is tall and of good figure, black hair, pretty, and some thirty years of age. The initial theme of her speech was to correct fluently about the visit of said delegation to Sing Sing in which she terminated stating that the ROSENBERGS in the meantime remain in their cell "lonely and alone"; no - assured the orator - they are "lonely" but not "alone" because very many persons in the entire world follow and fight for them.

The first orator was LEO STRAUSS, in terms openly communist. Fundamentally, it was to assert that the sentence of the ROSENBERGS affirmed the growth of fascism in the United States.

Next a woman of the Pro ROSENBERG Committee spoke. I am not sure of the name but I believe it was VANILLA MORRIS. She dwelled upon terms of simple clerency and not on a political line; she is a member of the Committee

She announced the picket before the White House and Congress is prepared.

There were a number of songs,

Next the actress KAREN MORLEY spoke; after a few words relative to the group that on Sunday went to Sing Sing, she read some statements of Vanzetti before his execution. She endeavored to compare the execution of Sacco-Vanzetti with the ROSENBERG couple.

Then CARL MARZANI spoke, in open communist line. He insisted that the sentence of the ROSENBERGS was part of the plan of preparations for war. He referred to the life of the political prisoners by his own experience; the need to know that others believe in them, they are bitter days of loneliness. Afterwards a collection was made.

A woman read some verses dedicated to the ROSENBERGS; I was unable to hear her name. She is also an author of a ballad dedicated to those previously executed.

A mulatto woman, read a few words alluding to the central theme. She was introduced as a fighter in the negro cause.

Next the communist leader BETTY GANNETT spoke. The most dangerous speech; with cutting words and tone. She referred all about the trial that

is under way against the second string communist leaders; she asserted that the sentence is now drawn up and is identical word for word to that directed by Judge Medina in the first trial; she referred to the incident of a juror, who was proven to have shown that she was convinced beforehand of the guiltiness of the accused.

There was more singing.

The last speaker was WILLIAM L. PATTERSON. He emphasized that not only is the life of the ROSENBERGS in danger, but that their execution would place the lives of all in danger, beginning with those of STEVE NELSON, BEN DAVIS, and other present prisoners.

Finally a movie picture taken Sunday during the visit made to Sing Sing by various communists in order to greet the ROSENBERGS was shown. The picture was described with simple descriptions of that which had occurred. Before that they presented to the audience some of the persons that formed part of the retinue; and some women who would go today to visit Mrs. INGRAM, in a prison in Georgia.

I have here the immediate proposals announced in the meetings:

1. - On the 27th there will be a picket before the White House, intending to stay indefinitely, in order to protest the execution; and on the 5th another committee will go to interview the new representatives and senators in Congress.
2. - Today, the 24th of December, from 1:15 to 6 in the afternoon, they will congregate before the women's prison in order to sing birthday songs to communist leader ELIZABETH G. FLYNN.
3. - A committee will go to visit Mrs. INGRAM. One of its members, a negress, had risen a short time before in order to applaud with special enthusiasm the communist leader B. GARNETT.

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I attached the only article distributed.

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TO : SAC, NY

FROM : HERBERT B. GRANT, SA (100-107111)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
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DATE: February 18, 1953

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Copies of the report are attached. The original may be found in file [REDACTED]

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Report on Communist Party Distribution in the Rosenberg Case
Saturday, January 3, 1953

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There were twenty-five Communist Party members present at the American Labor Party Headquarters at 210 New Main Street, Yonkers for this distribution. A number of them were already known to me but the remainder of them were new faces to me.

The leader and coordinator of the distribution was Mrs. DOROTHY LOMBARDO. She selected leaders, four of them, and gave them specific instructions on how they were to act should trouble in the form of police interference arise. Mr. JACK FOX, 12 Stokes Avenue, Yonkers, was appointed observer. Leaders were to get in touch with him and he would in turn relay messages to DOROTHY LOMBARDO at the American Labor Party headquarters.

Comrade HERBERT HEWITT was leader of the group assigned to cover the Strand and Proctors Theaters. Mr. HARRY BRODY was the leader of the group covering the Park Hill Theater. Another leader was selected to cover the Loew's Theater distributing group.

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ROBERT K. STONER, SA (100-80675)

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Attached is [redacted] a report of [redacted]
dated 1/12/53 and received by the writer on 1/27/53. b7D

It reflects that leaflets requesting amnesty for
the ROSENBERGS was distributed in Times Square.

The leaflet issued by captioned organization is
not being retained.

The original informant's report is maintained as
serial [redacted] b7D

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Communist Demonstration in Times Square

January 12, 1953

I attach the propaganda leaflet that the Communists distributed at the Times Square picket asking for clemency of the ROSENBERG couple; I knew no one, and I appeared there by accident. There were some 100 persons or less.

A loudspeaker deafened the place, without being able to fix from where it started; people looked towards Hotel Astor and Hotel Claridge where it was then located. It was difficult to understand what the loudspeaker voiced.

The people that passed through Times Square paid it little attention; but the only reactions that I heard were against the Communists and the ROSENBERGS.

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TO : SAC, NY

DATE: 2/20/53

FROM : ROBERT K. STONER, SA (100-107111)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
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Attached is [redacted] a report of [redacted] dated 1/31/53 and received by the writer on 2/5/53. b7D

The informant submitted pages 4, 5, and 6 of the publication, "The New Leaders" dated 1/26/53 which contain replies to the editor why the correspondent had requested amnesty for the ROSENBERGS. The pertinent pages are retained as exhibits in instant case file (100-107111).

Pages submitted by [redacted] from the "New Republic" are not being retained. b7D

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January 31, 1953

As simple information, in case they are not yet filed, I include two important articles which appeared in:

1 - The review, "The New Leader" leftist anti-Communist publication, in which are published the answers received from various personalities that have asked the commutation of the death sentences of the ROSENBERGS; in the majority they write in anti-Communist terms.

2 - The review, "New Republic", liberal, in which they set out the new line which, according to them, has been circulated to members of the Communist Party since December 23, 1952. Fundamentally it deals with infiltrating the rightist organizations and recognition of the disaster of the Progressive Party.

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SA., New York

3/9/53

SA ALFRED B. NOWAK (100-89287)

CHARLES A. DOUGLAS
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The records of [REDACTED] reflect that the number Bryant 9-9633 is listed to the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 1950 6th Avenue, NYC, on the second floor.

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Memo

Date 3/10/53

RE: COMMITTEE TO FREE THE ROSENBERGS

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The informant furnished the following information concerning the above-captioned matter, which information should be paraphrased in such a way that the informant's identity will not be disclosed:

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Re: COMMITTEE TO FREE THE ROSENBERGS
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The informant advised that the Communist Party is most anxious to make a tremendous showing in Washington, D.C. prior to the date set for the execution of the ROSENBERGS. He said that the Party tried to obtain delegates from all mass organizations and to send the highest possible number of people to Washington, D.C. for the purpose of picketing outside the White House.

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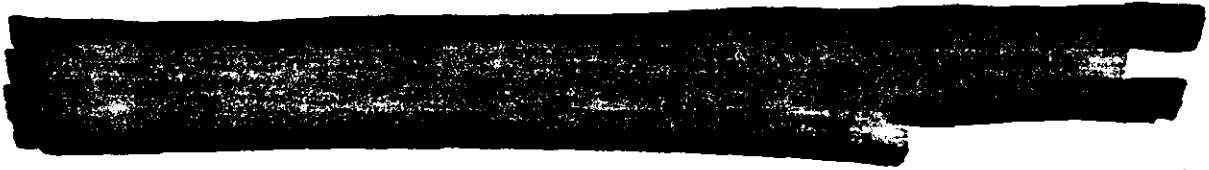
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SAC, WFO (100-25474)

February 27, 1953

SA CRAWFORD F. WILLIAMS

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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On February 18, 1953, [redacted] telephonically
contacted the writer [redacted]

At the time the informant said that he had learned that there
will be a mass mobilization in Washington on February 23, 24,
1953, with hundreds of people coming from New York and other
places by a special B&O train. B7D

The informant was contacted by the writer on February
19, 1953, at which time he advised that [redacted]

[redacted] many trade unions in
New York City had been asked to send people down to Washing-
ton for six days. Room and board for these people was to
be provided by the local committee. B7D

[redacted]

Concerning the information the informant had
furnished telephonically regarding the mass rally, [redacted]
said that he had obtained this information from the February
18, 1953, issue of the "Daily Worker." B7D

The informant said that he intends to cover the
demonstration on February 23 and 24 but could furnish no
details as to what will take place.

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SA THORNTON M. WOOD

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By letter dated March 18, 1953, WFO forwarded to this office carbon copies of fourteen memoranda containing information furnished by [redacted] to agents of WFO.

In some instances, information furnished by the informant to WFO pertained to New York subjects as well as WFO subjects; in other instances, the information pertained solely to WFO subjects.

Where the memorandum contained information pertaining to the subject of a New York file, one of the carbon copies of the memorandum is being designated, together with a copy of this memorandum, for the New York file.

The information furnished by [redacted] was furnished orally to agents of WFO whose identity is set out in the individual memoranda.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY

DATE: 3/23/53

FROM : ROBERT K. STONER, SA (100-107111)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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Attached is [redacted] a report of [redacted] dated 2/24/53 and received by the writer on 2/25/53. b7D

The informant submitted a throwaway of captioned organization which was disseminated [redacted]

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The throwaway is maintained as an exhibit in instant case file.

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February 24, 1953

I attach a throwaway on the campaign in favor of clemency of the Rosenberg couple.

The oddity is that a well-dressed girl distributed it last night about 11 P.M. [redacted] At this hour the street was deserted. With some speculation, it appears she went from house to house.

I stopped a moment at a short distance away. I saw her look to the right and left, enter a house where she remained two or three minutes; on leaving she met a well-dressed man with a briefcase in his hand. To all appearances they had no more throwaways to distribute and they separated. She continued [redacted]

It seems he is a Jewish lawyer named S. Kottur, [redacted]

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NY, NY
3/24/53

Memo

Re: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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On 3/9/53 [redacted] of known reliability, was interviewed by SA JAMES N. JULIANA. He advised that since last being contacted he has no further information to report concerning the Rosenberg Case, other than the fact that because of the stay of execution granted the ROSENBERGS, the Communist Party has become somewhat lax in their immediate plans. 370

Informant said that the picketing of the White House by the Communist forces was not as heavy as originally anticipated because of the stay of execution. A lot of the people who formerly had planned on going to Washington did not go and picket because of the above reason.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-95240)

4/1/53

SA CHARLES S. HARDING JR.

LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

[redacted] on [redacted] was interviewed by the writer and furnished the following information:

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[redacted] stated that because of the Pope's letter urging clemency for the ROSENBERGS, a vigil in Washington was being called. [redacted] stated that on February 14th a group from NY would go to Washington to march in a picket line around the White House.

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4/15/53

ROBERT K. STONER, SA (100-93553)

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS,
SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS
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Attached is [redacted] a report of [redacted]
dated 3/30/53 and received by the writer on 4/1/53.

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The report concerns a meeting of subject organization
held at Carnegie Hall on 3/29/53.

The original informant's report is retained as
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RKS:CMD

March 30, 1953

Last night, [REDACTED] I attended the meeting held in Carnegie Hall by the National Committee of Arts, Sciences and Professions, in order to ask for clemency in the case of Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberg. b7d

At the end of the meeting, the organizers spoke of 2,000 persons present. I estimate that there must have been less, perhaps 1,500. The orchestra section was quite full, but not entirely. The same was true of the boxes, but I believe that there were but few people upstairs.

Minister Kenneth Ripley Forbes, who also spoke later, opened the meeting with a short prayer.

The Secretary of the National Committee of the ASF (Fairchild or something like that) acted as chairman of the meeting. He began by saying that since its creation the ASF has had two missions: to defend its associates, its professional and civil rights; and to make them participate in civic life, taking them out of their marble towers. Until now, they have stressed the first aspect more, but this meeting answers the second mission.

The Jewish Young Folksingers interpreted four songs.

Before presenting the first speaker, the chairman indicated that without considering how each speaker felt about the sentence (whether he believed it just or unjust), it has been requested that no one discuss the merits of the sentence itself and they speak only about clemency for the sentenced persons.

The first speaker was an old woman. I could not get her full name and she had not been announced, but I believe her first name was Louise. They presented her as a professor of religious matters. I believe that she belongs to the faculty at Vassar College, but I am not sure. She has given classes in other religious seminaries or institutions of higher learning. She began by saying that in spite of the order of the organizers, she could not deny that she did not believe that the sentence was just. She began by recalling some words written by some one who was executed a hundred years ago (Jack Brown?); she insisted on asking for clemency, especially because of the repercussions that the case has throughout the world. It was a semi-religious and semi-political speech.

Then the painter Jack Levine read a few brief lines. He limited himself to saying that they are against the death penalty, and if a person is executed, then no mistake can be corrected.

The Minister, Mr. Forbes, began by referring to a biblical text in which it recommends that one act "justly" and be "merciful". He recommended this text to President Eisenhower who has decided to be so religious that he opens the sessions of the cabinet with a prayer. His whole speech was in a very sarcastic tone. He insisted that President Eisenhower go back on his

first decision, in order to act justly and be merciful.

Lucy Brown, with classical songs, accompanied on the piano by Lucy Brown. (The latter had previously played the national anthem.)

An actress, lightly colored, Ruby Deo, read a long speech; more than reading it, she was acting as if she were "on stage" all the time. I had the impression that this was the speech which was the closest of all to the Communist line. Her lashings were frequently applauded. She greatly stressed the idea that it is not a question of the Rosenbergs only, but that of the American people, themselves (We the people). She attacked specifically the acts of McCarthy and McCarran. She referred to the persecution against the negroes (cases of Willy McGee, Tranton...and a very recent one in North Carolina). If the people acted, none of this would happen, and the Rosenbergs will not be executed.

The collection was taken up by a very active and very talkative man, Brown, by name. He seemed almost like a circus clown. Once, he jumped from the stage and ran up the aisles among the audience in order to collect the money himself as he shouted. He was very much applauded. He said that he was a professional collector. He began by asking for donations of 100 dollars. He got one of 150 dollars, and 2 of 100. They did not give their names. I believe that from 100 to 5 dollars, they collected about 1,000 dollars. Afterwards came the collection of dollar bills and change.

The following speaker was a negro journalist from Boston, William Harrison. He also stressed the biblical term "merciful". He referred especially to the clemency petition of the Lope, and he complained that it had been kept silent. He also spoke of the compulsory measures in the press and other means of expression.

The best speech of the evening was the last, that of Dr. Bernard Loomer, Dean of the Divinity School, University of Chicago. He began by referring to the persons who do not believe in the guilt of the Rosenbergs. But let us admit, he said, that they are Communists and they are guilty; even so, there are three reasons for advocating clemency:

1) In order not to make martyrs of them. Nothing is worse than the persecution of an idea; and let us not forget that Communism is almost a religion.

2) Because the case has become throughout the world a sort of symbol of the American people today. With this motive, he spoke at length about the condition of civil liberties in the United States, and he attacked the investigations, especially, in the field of education.

3) The Rosenbergs in reality are scapegoats for the guilt of the American people themselves. We need to put the guilt on some one for the confusion in which we find ourselves, and the Rosenbergs present that opportunity. (He was very brief on this last point.)

During the collection, the mother of Mrs. Rosenberg was presented to the audience. She said only a few words of thanks. She was not upset with sorrow, but was very happy and nervous.

The written petition circulated among the audience to
fairness.

At the end, the chairman proposed a petition addressed to President
Eisenhower, asking for clemency. It was unanimously approved. He said also
that he did not have time to read the many letters and telegrams received.

literature was not distributed. At the door, there were several
policemen, apparently, as protection.



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WILFRED R. SCHLARMAN, SA (100-93553)

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES
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Attached hereto is a copy of the report dated 3/29/53 of [redacted] potential confidential source received by the writer on 4/14/53. Instant report concerns a "Rally to Secure Clemency for the Rosenbergs" which was held at Carnegie Hall on 3/29/53 and sponsored by the captioned organization. b7D

Among the speakers at instant rally were:

- 1 Dr. HENRY PRATT FAIRCHILD
- 2 LOUISE SMITH
- 3 JACK LEVINE
- 4 Rev. KENNETH RIPLEY FORBES
- 5 RUBY DEE
- 6 WILLIAM HARRISON
- 7 BERNARD LOCKER

[redacted] advised that the resolution adopted at the Rally read as follows "2000 New Yorkers met Sunday, 3/29/53 at Carnegie Hall to demand clemency for the ROSENBERGS-unanimous." b7D

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N/ [redacted] (100-10711) (NY) (RE: SECURITY MATTERS IN ROSENBERG CASE)

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"ROSENBERG RALLY" - March 29, 1953
Carnegie Hall - New York City - 8:30 p.m.

- I. Dr. FAIRCHILD - Master of Ceremonies, welcomed audience. "Friends of Liberty". 1st to mention ROSENBERGS. "Professional People should come down from their ivory-towers and take an active part in expressing themselves politically" "VENGEANCE."
- II. LOUISE SMITH - Educator, Wellesley College, Harvard. Elderly woman, gray hair, glasses. Appealed to 8th amendment. "At these times we should all review the first eight amendments."
- III. JACK LEVINE - "One of Americas' Greatest Artists" Metropolitan Museum & Mus. Modern Art. Dark horn-rimmed glasses, large ears, dark hair, average height, 35 years. "Speaking for all Artists, Culture must go on, therefore, I am against all things like burning of books, censorship & the death penalty."
- IV. REV KENNETH FORD - Philadelphia Evangelical Priest. Short, white hair, bald spot in center. 2,000 clergy men behind him. "like starts cabinet meetings with a prayer". If he really wanted to stay in God's house he ought to display mercy."
- V. RUBY BELL or BELL - Movie Star "JACKIE ROBINSON STORY" Female, young, dark hair, short. Appeals as housewife and mother. Facts about this case not important what is important is the idea behind this penalty. Very good speaker. Sarcastic mention of McCarthy & McCarren

Collection

1 hour collection, very organized, lots of money. Mrs. ROSENBERG's mother brought on stage. Stammered out a few words of thanks.

VI. Wm. HARRISON

Journalist, ("Foremost Negro Journalist") Short, white haired. negro, cane in right hand. Attacked Ike for not handling case correctly. or refusing plea on legal grounds & ignoring social implications. Pope Pius' plea mentioned & its delay is being publicized.

VII BERNARD LOOMER

University of Chicago, tried to see Ike personally & talk about plea. Middle aged, large round head, thin grey hair combed back good speaker. Best factual talk, Labeled ROSENBERGS Communists & said they had committed a crime, but they shouldn't receive death penalty because:

- 1 Definite Room for reasonable doubt
- 2 Rest of the world's attitude mercy without repentence.
- 3 "Escape Goats"

Resolution

2000 New Yorkers met Sunday, March 29, 1953, at Carnegie Hall to demand "Clemency for the Rosenbergs"- unanimous!

SAC, New York

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SA JOHN W. DOOLEY (100-2936)

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Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [redacted] of known reliability, dated 3/18/53. The original report was furnished to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY on 4/2/53. In this report, informant gave an account of a meeting of Branch 138, JPFO, on 3/12/53 at which the importance of Jewish Progressive Schools and the IWO fight against liquidation were discussed. b7D

The information contained in this report should not be disseminated outside the Bureau unless it is sufficiently paraphrased to protect informant.

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Jewish Peoples Fraternal
Order, I.W.O. Activities


March 18, 1953
New York

A special meeting of branch 138 of the Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, I.W.O., was held on March 12th, 1953, at the headq. of School #9 at 3451 Giles Place, Bronx, N.Y.

About 40 people were present at the meeting the chairman of which was Mr. Grossman, president of branch 138.

Grossman opened the meeting with a few remarks on the importance of supporting the Jewish Progressive Schools. He said that the aim of this meeting is to mobilize the entire membership of branch 138, the friends and the supporters of the progressive schools "to support one bazaar". (Bazaar for School #9 was held on March 13, 14 and 15 at the Cafeteria Hall at 3451 Giles Place). He stated that "the bazaar for the support of School #9 became a kind of yearly tradition" in the neighborhood. He said that the bazaar is important not only from the point of view that it brings in a few hundred dollars for the school but also because "we see every time at our bazaars different faces, new people who learn of our activities and in this way we get new friends for our school and our branch; we acquire new friends for our cause". He called upon the members to make phone calls to friends and to visit members of the branch, (138) neighbors and friends asking them to attend the bazaar.

Ab. Shuldiner reported that Branch 138 fulfilled its quota for the Morning Freiheit fund drive but he asked the members to continue to collect funds for the Morning Freiheit fund drive. He said that the "last station" of the Bronx Morning Freiheit fund drive will have place at the headquarters of the Bronx County of the J.F.P.O. at 1723 Boston Road, Bronx, N.Y. on April 6th, 1953. He said that the Bronx County raised \$17,000 for the Morning Freiheit and "we aim to raise at the last station another \$5,000. This will mean that we will raise \$2,000 over our quota of \$20,000.



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M. Broniack, vice president of branch 130 J.P.F.O. made a short report on a meeting held at Webster hall in N.Y. on March 11th, 1953.

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According to his report this meeting was called by the J.P.F.O. to hear a report "on the fight of the I.W.O. for its existence".

He said that some 400 members of the branch executive committees of the 9 New York districts of the J.P.F.O. were present at this meeting.

The main report to the above mentioned meeting was given by R. Saltzman, national secretary of the J.P.F.O. Saltzman reported about a hearing in Albany, N.Y. before the court of appeals on the question of the decision of appellate court of liquidate the I.W.O.

Saltzman reported that the N.Y. State Insurance Dep. "had no legal nor moral right to sue for the liquidation of the I.W.O." and that "the persecution against the I.W.O. is a part of the general red-baiting hysteria".

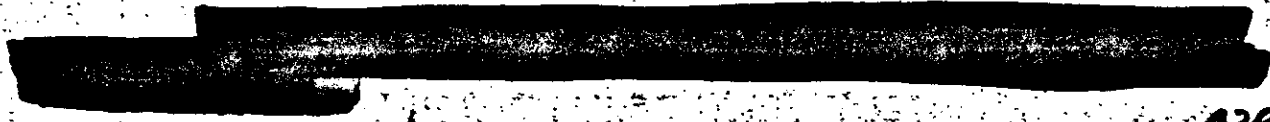
Broniack stated in his report that from the questions of those present at this meeting and from the answers given by Saltzman "one felt that the over 100,000 members of the I.W.O. are steadfast in their determination to fight for its organization".

Broniack reported that "it became known" at this meeting that the I.W.O. will hold conventions (state and district) all over the country during April and May (1953) and that the "questions of developing the struggle for the life of the I.W.O. and a general fight against reaction will be taken up. Another important point at press conventions will be the re-enstating of all those members who dropped out from the I.W.O.". He said that in New York the I.W.O. convention will be held at the Hotel New Yorker on May 10th, 1953.

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With a call to the members to visit and participate
in the bazaar the chairman closed the meeting.



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SA JOHN J. McDERMOTT (100-NCP-LEE)

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Investigation has previously established that LEE has a joint savings account #1299414 with ZURAWSKY at the Central Savings Bank, 14th Street and Fourth Avenue, NYC.

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On 4/28/53 the informant advised that LILLIAN DAVIS KAPLEN had been operated on [REDACTED] and that she expected to be out of the hospital in [REDACTED]

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It is recommended that consideration be given to opening a SM-C case on LEE to determine the scope of her activities and acquaintances with CP members.

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SA EDWIN H. EILEPS

SIDNEY REITER
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On 4/26/53 CI NY 822-S, of unknown reliability, related that SIDNEY REITER of 1520 Amsterdam Avenue, NYC, was unable to keep a dinner appointment as the Rosenberg Rally was postponed until the following Sunday. The informant also indicated that ROSE REITER had notified LEON APPEL, brother-in-law of HOWARD "STRETCH" JOHNSON that the Rosenberg Rally had been called off.

SIDNEY REITER is an admitted Communist who was expelled in 1949 from the General Duffy Post of the American Legion for Communist activities.

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TO : SAC, EL

FROM : DONALD P. ADAMS, SA (100-107111)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR THE ROSENBERGS
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DATE: 5/13/53

Attached hereto is a copy of a typewritten report dated 4/28/53 submitted to SA DONALD P. ADAMS on 4/30/53 by [redacted] concerning the postponement of a "clemency rally for the ROSENBERGS" from 4/26/53 to 5/3/53.

Special care should be utilized in reporting information set out in the attached in order that the identity of the informant may be fully protected. The informant's original report is filed [redacted] B7D

"ROSENBERG CASE

"April 28, 1953

"The 'CLEMENCY RALLY FOR THE ROSENBERGS' was postponed from April 26, 1953 until Sunday, May 3, 1953 because of the heavy rain which wet the grounds sufficiently to prevent the proper presentation of the program that had been devised for the rally.

"A large crowd had gathered at the corner of 125th and Lexington Ave to take the bus to Randall's Island, the scene of the rally, when a group came and announced the postponement of the rally. They distributed leaflets which announced the new date on which the rally will be held.

"Observed among the crowd waiting for the bus were:

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[REDACTED] are scheduled to attend the rally together on
May 3, 1953.

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TO :

DATE: 6/5/53

FROM : DONALD P. ADAMS, SA (100-107111)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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[REDACTED] usually advised SA DONALD P. ADAMS
that he [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] had thereafter been advised of the holding of a
meeting of the West Side Chapter of the Rosenberg Committee [REDACTED]

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Informant advised meeting held as scheduled and attended
by 14 people [REDACTED] Plans were made to set
up street meetings daily through the 13th to rally support for
clemency appeal for ROSENBERGS.

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Plans being made by Rosenberg Committee for delegation
to Washington, D.C. on case 6/14/53.

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RICHARD H. BLASSER, SA (100-81674)

PEOPLE'S ARTIST, INC.
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Attached hereto as an exhibit is a leaflet captioned
"Give Us Your Hand - Poems and Songs for ETHEL and JULIUS
ROSENBERG" by EDITH SEGAL and published by PEOPLE'S ARTISTS.

The leaflet was furnished to the writer by [REDACTED] on
5/28/53, and is maintained as exhibit # 112 in 100-81674.

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DONALD P. ADAMS, SA (100-51820)

JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE
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Attached hereto is a copy of a typewritten report dated 6/7/53, received by SA DONALD P. ADAMS, on 6/10/53, from [redacted] concerning a Forum held at the Jefferson School of Social Science on the evening of 6/7/53 concerning the topic "What To Do About McCarthyism, How To Fight McCarthyism".

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Monday, June 7, 1953.

Forum, Jefferson School of Social Science, 8:40 P.M.
Topic, What to Do About McCarthyism, How To Fight McCarthyism.

Speakers, DOXEY WILKERSON, VICTOR PERLO, HERBERT APTHEKER,
MORRIS U. SCHAPPES, HOWARD SELSAM, DASHIELL HAMMETT

Present, about 150 persons

The speakers first each individually gave a personal account of his experience before one of the three Congressional committees in investigation Communism, the Jenner Committee and the McCarthy Committee. None of the speakers mentioned the Velde Committee. They explained their courage and wit and how they confounded and exposed the witch hunters and inquisitors much to the amusement of the audience which applauded generously throughout. Then questions were thrown to the audience and discussion came from the floor as to why the inquisition. The answers were all standard: the war drive, the anti-labor drive and the drive toward Fascism. Finally there came the climax which was what to do about McCarthyism and how to fight it. After much discussion from the floor suggesting that we should expose McCarthyism everywhere we find it and help other well-intentioned liberals as well as well-intentioned conservatives to see this evil, MORRIS SCHAPPES in an almost commanding tone said the principle job for progressives was to get at the root and source of McCarthyism which is fear of the foreign policy of the Soviet Union. We must convince people everywhere in our shops and neighborhoods clubs and progressive groups and circles of the falsity of the myth of Soviet aggression. This he said was the only sure way of fighting McCarthyism. It is the fear of the Soviet Union which makes McCarthyism succeed in many peoples minds.

HERBERT APTHEKER then proceeded to give instructions to those who might find themselves brought before an investigation committee. Aside from using the Fifth Amendment and refusing to answer anything which might incriminate you or ever give any information on what you are doing, one must be more positive. He said to remember that most of these hearings have audiences present and are on radio and television hence they present a limitless opportunity not only to expose the pro-Fascist witch-hunters but also to get out message to the people. Hence he said every progressive who is called before such a group should appear with prepared statements and before resorting to the Fifth Amendment should state for the benefit of the wide-listening public why he is hounded, what some of the things are that he stands for in the way of peace, Democracy and civil rights.

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